

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of the claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A writing instrument comprising:
 - a substantially tubular body including a first and second end;
 - at least one writing tip associated with the first end;
 - a receptacle integrally formed within the second end, the receptacle including a retaining portion;
 - a self-contained removable auxiliary dispensing module including a securing portion, the self-contained removable auxiliary dispensing module adapted to be secured within the receptacle by the cooperation of the retaining portion and the securing portion; and
 - an auxiliary module cap adapted to engage both the second end adjacent to the retaining and securing portions and the first end adjacent to the writing tip.
2. (Original) The writing instrument of claim 1, wherein the writing tip is retractably positioned within the first end and rotatable between a first extended position and a second stored position.
3. (Currently Amended) The writing instrument of claim 1, wherein the securing portion is a flexible projection extending from an external

surface of the self-contained removable auxiliary dispensing module and engaging the complimentary retaining portion.

4. (Currently Amended) The writing instrument of claim 1, wherein the securing portion is a projection extending from an external surface of the self-contained removable auxiliary dispensing module and engaging an L-shaped track defining the retaining portion.

5. (Currently Amended) The writing instrument of claim 1, wherein the self-contained removable auxiliary dispensing module is a transfer tape dispensing module.

6. (Original) The writing instrument of claim 5, wherein correction tape dispensing module further comprises:
a tape dispensing reel;
a take-up reel; and
a differential belt rotatably connected between the tape dispensing reel and the take-up reel.

7. (Currently Amended) The writing instrument of claim 1, wherein the self-contained removable auxiliary dispensing module is a fountain pen including a nib and an ink reservoir.

8. (Currently Amended) The writing instrument of claim 1, wherein the self-contained removable auxiliary dispensing module is a tape-flag dispenser.

9. (Currently Amended) The writing instrument of claim 1, wherein the self-contained removable auxiliary dispensing module is a fluid dispensing marker.
10. (Currently Amended) The writing instrument of claim 1, wherein the auxiliary module cap further includes a data entry tip.
11. (Currently Amended) A modular writing instrument comprising:
 - a pen body including a first end;
 - a writing tip positioned within the first end and rotatable between a first extended position and a second retracted position;
 - a receptacle positioned within the pen body distal to the writing tip;
 - a self-contained an auxiliary dispensing module adapted to be removably received within the receptacle, the self-contained auxiliary dispensing module including a module body having an applicator tip and a locking means; and
 - a module cap adapted to engage the pen body at a first position located adjacent to the locking means and at a second position located adjacent to the writing tip.
12. (Original) The modular writing instrument of claim 11, wherein the writing tip is an ink pen.

13. (Currently Amended) The modular writing instrument of claim 11,
wherein the self-contained auxiliary dispensing module is a correction
tape dispenser.
14. (Currently Amended) The modular writing instrument of claim 11,
wherein the self-contained auxiliary dispensing module is a fluid
dispensing device.
15. (Original) The modular writing instrument of claim 14, wherein the fluid
dispensing device is a highlighter.
16. (Original) The modular writing instrument of claim 14, wherein the fluid
dispensing device includes a fiber tip for dispensing fluid.
17. (Currently Amended) The modular writing instrument of claim 11,
wherein the self-contained auxiliary dispensing module is a fountain
pen.

18. (Currently Amended) A method of applying to a semi-flexible substrate a first material and a second material comprising;

providing a writing instrument having a tubular body that includes a deployable writing tip for dispensing a first material at a first end of the tubular body;

providing a receptacle at a second end of the tubular body;

providing a removable self-contained auxiliary dispensing module including a locking mechanism adapted to removably secure the auxiliary module within the receptacle, the self-contained auxiliary dispensing module including a first end having a tip for applying the second material;

securing a module cap to the first end of the self-contained auxiliary dispensing module and adjacent to the locking mechanism;

placing the deployable writing tip in contact with the substrate to apply the first material to the substrate;

removing the module cap from the self-contained auxiliary dispensing module first end;

securing the module cap to the first end of the tubular body adjacent to the deployable writing tip; and

placing the self-contained auxiliary dispensing module tip in contact with the substrate to apply the second material to the substrate.

19. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19, wherein providing the removable self-contained auxiliary dispensing module includes providing a correction tape dispenser having a dispensing reel, a take-up reel and a band rotatably connected therebetween and wherein the second material comprises a correction tape material.